# CARING FOR YOUR CLOTHES

Loads of Fun from Hamper to Drawer

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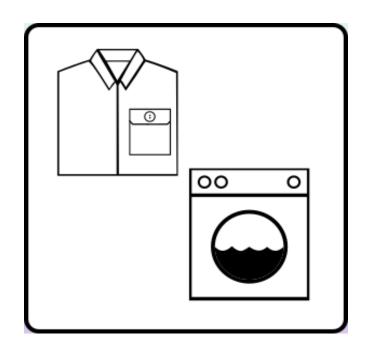


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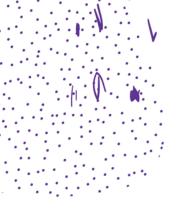




- How to Sort, Wash & Dry Clothes
- How to Iron Clothes
- How to Store Clothes



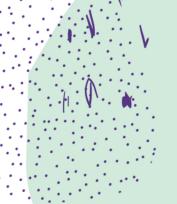




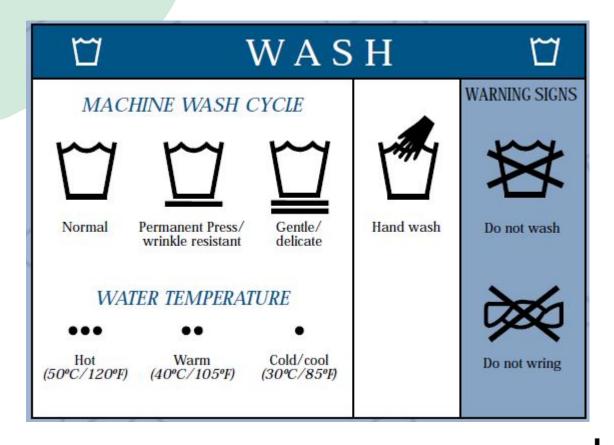
### **SORTING IT OUT**







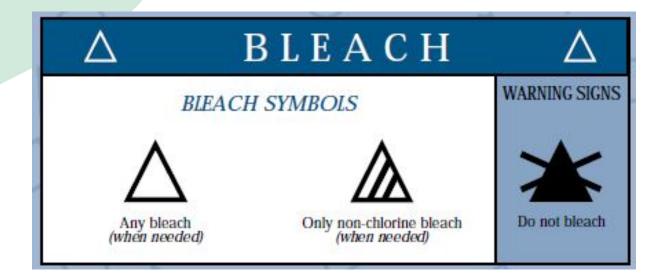




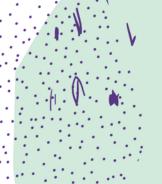


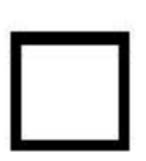


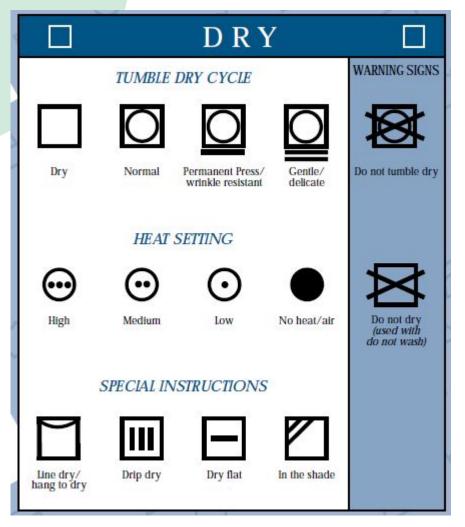






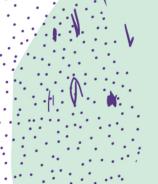




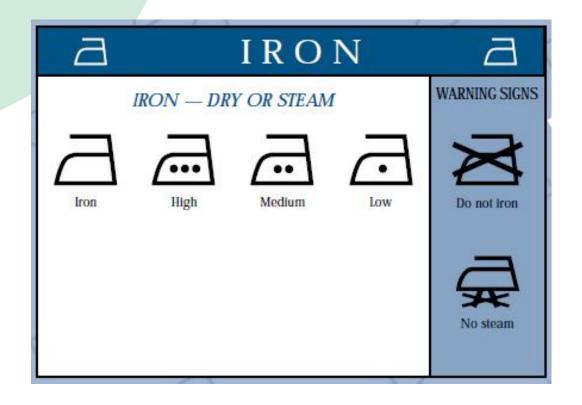




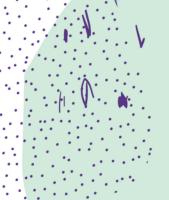


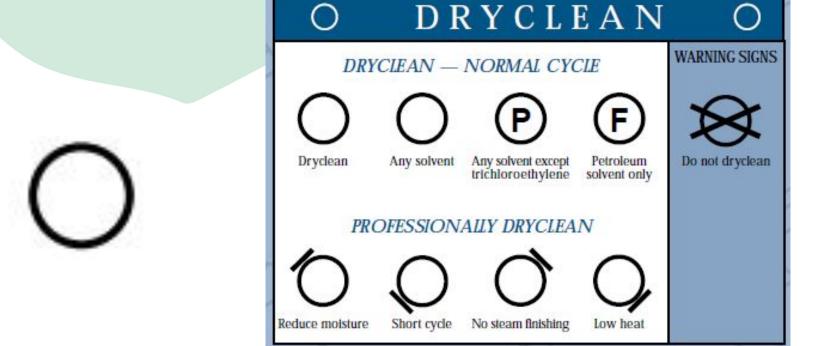
















#### MACHINE WASH CYCLE

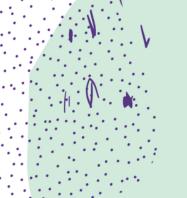


#### READ CLOTHING LABELS

- Pull out clothes labeled "Dry Clean Only"
- Separate hand washable and delicate items
- The dyes from new clothes may run. Pull out for a separate wash.

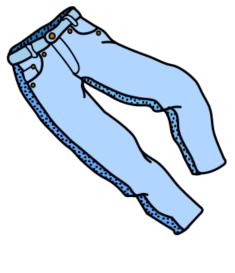






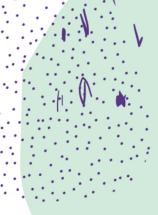
Separate clothes by fabric and color









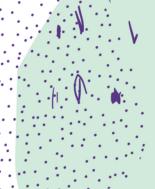


Sort dark clothes from light clothes





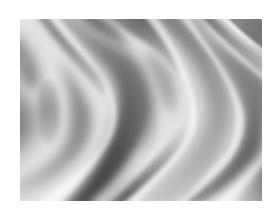




#### Separate fabrics







Silk



Cotton





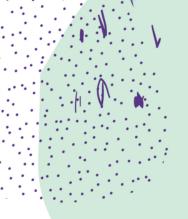
Button and zip pants up before washing to retain their shape.

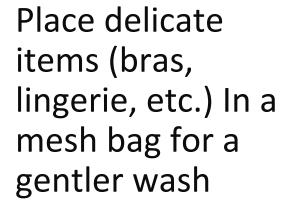
**Empty pockets!** 









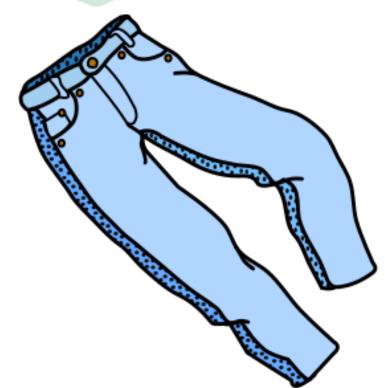




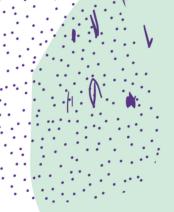


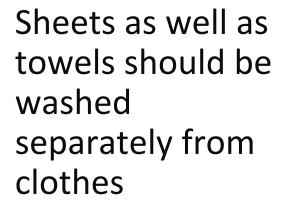


Turn jeans inside out to protect color











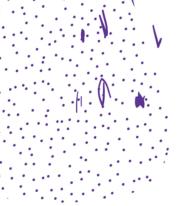




### Activity #1: Sorting It All Out



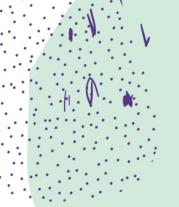




### THE WASH







Use the proper amount of detergent











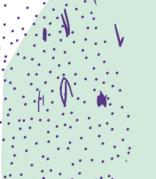
If using bleach, use with white clothes only











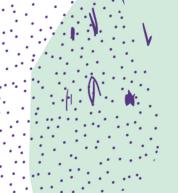


Load the right amount of clothes.

A stuffed washing machine will not clean clothes.





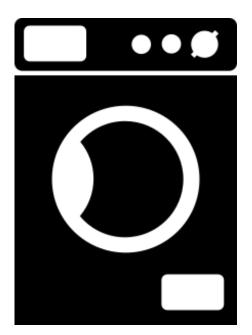


#### Choose the right load size

A Small Load = approximately 1/3 of washing machine tub

A Medium Load = approximately 1/2 of washing machine tub

A Large Load = approximately 3/4 of washing machine tub

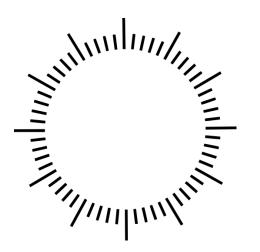






Choose the right cycle

- Delicate
- Permanent Press
- Cotton/Regular
- Pre-Wash





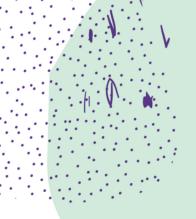
Choose the right temperature

- Hot water for towels and sheets
- Cold water for dark clothes
- Warm water for polyester

Rinse clothes in cold water







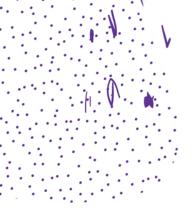
### Hand Washing Clothes



Hand wash

- Read the label
- Unless otherwise indicated:
  - Use cool water
  - Use mild detergent or dishwashing liquid
- Use gentle motions in soapy water
- Rinse and repeat
- Gently squeeze out water
- Lay on towel or drying rack

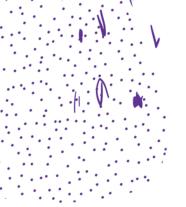




### Activity #2: Laundry Jeopardy

Hover over "Laundry Jeopardy."
Right Click the mouse and select "Open Hyperlink"





### **DRYING OUT**





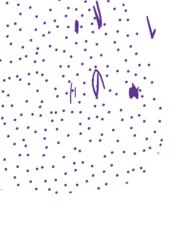


- - Fold or hang immediately
  - Clean lint tray
- Never leave dryer on when leaving home

- Check label (for air dry)
- Dry right after wash is complete
- Select proper settings
- Use dryer sheets to soften clothes and prevent static cling



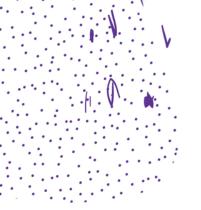




# ACTIVITY #3 - Pair up!



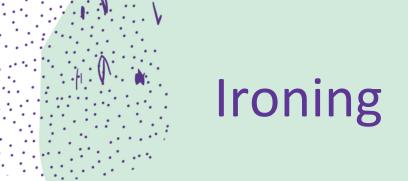




### IRONING -Get It Straight





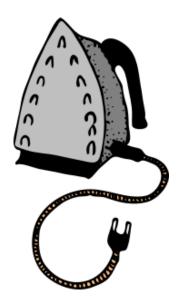




- Set up ironing area away from heavy traffic areas
- Keep cord out of walkway
- Check the label for ironing instructions
- Use the right setting for each type of fabric

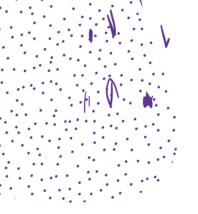






- Lay garment out so it is flat and without wrinkles
- Use steam setting for hard to iron cotton fabrics
- Iron on the backside of certain fabrics
- Hang or fold once complete
- Unplug iron when not in use and empty water tank





# STORING CLOTHES Hang or Fold









- Fold or hang clothes immediately after drying to reduce wrinkles
- Consider rolling items such as t-shirts, socks or underwear to save space in drawers

Saving Space - video



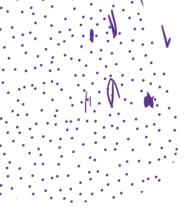




- Hang shirts, dresses blouses, jackets etc. on a hanger the same way you want them to fit on your body.
- Button top button to avoid slipping off of the hanger.
- Fold sweaters or hang them using this method:
   How to Hang Sweaters (Right click link and select "Open Hyperlink")







# Activity #4: Folding Sheets

VIDEOS (right click on link and click open hyperlink)

Folding Flat Sheet (3:22 minute mark)

Folding Fitted Sheet (5:00 minute mark)

<u>Folding Fitted Sheet – (Funny)</u>





